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INFO AMEMBASSY ROME PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MPOL, NATO, IT

SUBJECT: FORCE GOALS FOR ITALY

REF: USNATO 2076, DTG 281612Z FEB 78

1. WE FAIL TO SEE EITHER POLITICAL OR ECONOMIC JUSTIFICATION FOR FORCE GOAL CHALLENGE TO ITALY MUCH ABOVE THREE TO 3.5 PERCENT ANNUAL REAL INCREASE.

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2. MISSION SHOULD NOT SEEK CHALLENGE ABOVE THREE PERCENT BUT MAY JOIN CONSENSUS ABOVE THREE PERCENT IF ITALY REGARDS CONSENSUS LEVEL AS REASONABLE.

3. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANY COMMENTS FROM EMBASSY ROME.

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